

REMARKS

Claims 18-24 remain pending in this application. Claims 18 and 24 are currently amended. No new matter has been added.

Applicant submits that this Amendment After Final Rejection only addresses formal matters raised in the previous Office Action. Accordingly, Applicant is entitled to entry of this Amendment as a matter of right under 37 C.F.R. §1.116 (b) (1).

CLAIM REJECTIONS - 35 USC § 112

At page 2, the Office Action rejects claims 18 and 24 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, first paragraph, as being indefinite. Applicant respectfully traverses the rejection.

Amended claims 18 and 24 address each of the issues noted in the Office Action. In particular, Applicant has amended claims 18 and 24 as suggested in the Office Action. Thus, each of claims 18 and 24 satisfies the requirements of 35 U.S.C. § 112, first paragraph. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection.

ALLOWABLE SUBJECT MATTER

Applicant gratefully acknowledges the indication, at page 3 of the Office Action, that claims 18-24 are free of the prior art and would be allowable if the indefiniteness issues

noted above are resolved. In view of the above amendments and remarks, claims 18-24 are in condition for allowance.

CONCLUSION

Entry of the above amendments is earnestly solicited. Applicant respectfully requests that a timely Notice of Allowance be issued in this case.

Should there be any matters that need to be resolved in the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future submissions, to charge any deficiency or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 25-0120 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17.

Respectfully submitted,

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